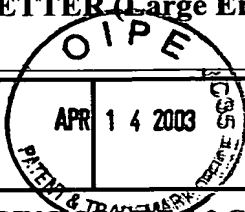




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Invention: <b>BLOCK-BASED NEGATIVE FILTERING OF MPEG-2 COMPLIANT TABLE SECTIONS</b>					
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 14, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please substitute the following paragraphs for the corresponding paragraphs beginning at the indicated location in the specification as originally filed. A marked up copy of these paragraphs showing currently requested changes is attached as an Appendix to this response.

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More importantly, under the MPEG-2 convention, tables are used for non-audio/video data such as program schedule and navigation data or supplemental data such as sports statistics or subtitle data which may be displayed at the will of the user or even control data to control reception for limited access (e.g. pay-per-view) programming. In general more table data than is necessary is transmitted to be certain it